



MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Attorney Docket No. 26274

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

FRANCHI et al.

Serial No.: 10/506,407

Group Art Unit: 1617

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Examiner: A.M. Cotton

For: **COSMETIC USE OF PHYTOSPHINGOSINE AS A SLIMMING AGENT  
AND COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING PHYTOSPHINGOSINE**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 14, 2008**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Commissioner:

This Response and Amendment is filed responsive to the Official Action dated November 14, 2008, making a response due on or before February 14, 2009. As such, a Petition Requesting a One Month Extension of Time and the necessary fee is attached hereto, thereby extending the period for response until March 14, 2009. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**A Conclusion** appears at page 17 of this paper.